

Mexico Visa Lift Levée de l'obligation de visa pour le Mexique
Weekly Performance Report Rapport hebdomadaire sur le rendement
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The purpose of this weekly performance report is to provide an overview of activities/events related to the December 1, 2016 visa lift on Mexican Nationals.

Le but de ce rapport hebdomadaire sur le rendement est de fournir un aperçu des activités/événements liés à la levée du visa pour les ressortissants mexicains à partir du 1^{er} décembre 2016.

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Daily Liaison Officer reporting since December 1, 2016

Departure City	Enquiries related to eTA	Enquires related to fraud	Number of Intercepts	Enquiries related to eTA to date	Enquiries related to fraud to date	Number of Intercepts to date
	7	2	1	86	42	20
	6	7	0	73	33	8
	1	1	0	22	4	0
	1	3	0	2	3	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	15	13	1	183	82	28

PORT OF ENTRY PROCESSING | TRAITEMENT DES PORTS D'ENTRÉE

Enforcement:

Number of Refugee Claims made by Mexican Nationals

Organization	Mode	Regions	Since December 1, 2016	FY Year to Date (as of January 29)
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CBSA	Inland	QC	5	6
		GTA		1
		PAC	1	8
		CBSA Inland Total	6	15
	POE	ATL		
		QC	47	70
		NOR	3	9
		GTA	35	42
		SOR	6	13
		PRA	2	4
		PAC	20	34
		CBSA POE Total	113	172
IRCC	Inland	Eastern	12	41
		Ontario	15	42
		Western		22
		IRCC Total	27	105
CBSA & IRCC Total			146	292

Source: CIC EDW – Refugee Claims

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Number of 44 Reports issued by the CBSA to Mexican Nationals (excluding refugee Claims)

Mode	Regions	Since December 1, 2016	FY Year to Date (as of January 29)
POE	ATL		
	QC	48	98
	NOR		1
	GTA	17	25
	SOR	1	15
	PRA	6	19
	PAC	128	207
POE Total		200	365
Inland	ATL		1
	QC	6	17
	NOR		
	GTA	12	29
	SOR	1	16
	PRA	1	9
	PAC	14	61
Inland Total		34	133
CBSA Total		234	498

Source: CIC EDW – Enforcement – Inadmissible

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Number of Allowed to Leaves issued by the CBSA at Inland Offices and POEs (without 44 Report) to Mexican Nationals

Regions	Since December 1, 2016	FY Year to Date (as of January 29)
ATL		19
QC	8	51
NOR	2	34

GTA	234	333
SOR	37	1,376
PRA	27	115
PAC	173	521
Total	481	2,449

Source: CIC EDW – Enforcement – Allowed to Leave

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Facilitation:

Number of Facilitation Permits issued by the CBSA at POEs to Mexican Nationals

Facilitation	Region	Since December 1, 2016	FY Year to Date (as of January 29)
Visitor Records	ATL	3	10
	QC	33	140
	NOR	13	25
	GTA	160	331
	SOR	46	93
	PRA	107	283
	PAC	83	185
Total Visitor Records		445	1,067
Work Permits	ATL	5	31
	QC	223	5,084
	NOR	2	11
	GTA	1,988	11,073
	SOR	19	97
	PRA	59	381
	PAC	754	5,581
Total Work Permits		3,050	22,258
Temporary Resident Permits	ATL		1
	QC	1	10
	NOR		4
	GTA	14	56
	SOR	1	19
	PRA	2	15
	PAC	16	83
Total Temporary Resident Permits		34	188

Source: CIC EDW – TRP – WP – SP

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REFUGEE PROCESSING AT PORTS OF ENTRY

Refugee Claim	% Increase from 2014/15	2016/2017*	2015/2016	2014/2015
Airport	78%	2,222	2,725	1,743
Land Border	62%	6,325	4,808	3,934
Inland (between ports)	46%	1,079	654	501
Marine	86%	7	4	6
CBSA Total	64%	9,633	8,191	6,184

*Statistics as of January 19, 2017

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frontaliers du Canada



REFUGEE CLAIMS ANALYSIS REPORT (RCAR)

2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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Enforcement and Intelligence Operations Directorate**

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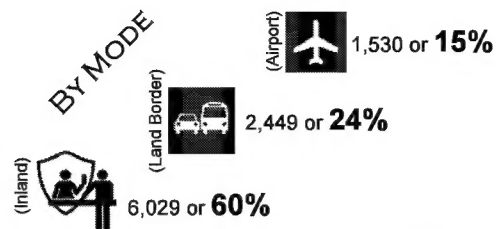
2016 REFUGEE CLAIMS ANALYSIS REPORT (RCAR)

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Number of **REFUGEE CLAIMS** filed from
January 1 to June 30, 2016,

10,010

from **147** different countries.



2016 saw a **41%** increase from the 7,104 claimants encountered during January 1 to June 30, 2015 and a 73% increase from the 5,802 claimants encountered during the same time period in 2014.

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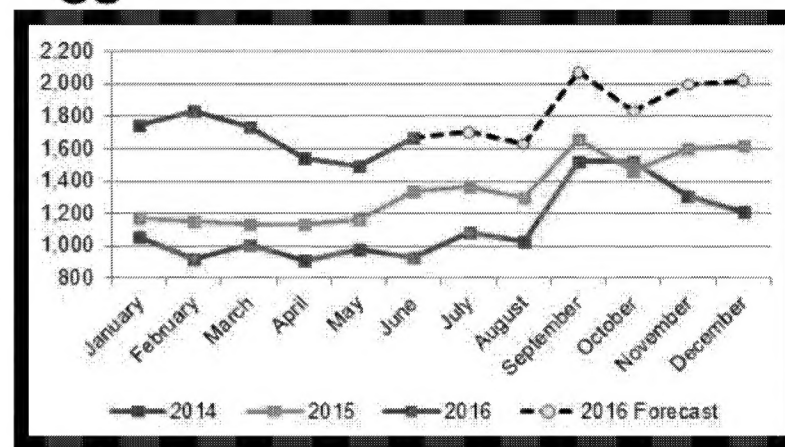


Top Source Countries by mode

Top 20 Source Countries for Refugee Claimants in 2016					
Rank	Country	Total	Rank	Country	Total
1	China	674	11	India	281
2	Nigeria	626	12	Venezuela	227
3	Hungary	585	13	Haiti	223
4	Iraq	477	14	Turkey	223
5	Pakistan	476	15	Eritrea	216
6	Syria	444	16	Libya	190
7	Afghanistan	349	17	Burundi	178
8	Colombia	342	18	Ethiopia	169
9	Somalia	336	19	Ukraine	151
10	Slovak Republic	315	20	Congo, DR	147

In 2016, **February** was the month with the greatest increase, **59%**, when compared to the same month in 2015.

60% of the top 20 source countries are **conflict areas**.



The Americas

region accounted for **15%** (1,474 claims), the least amount, of total claims entered.

50% of the top 20 source countries have organized

human smuggling networks.



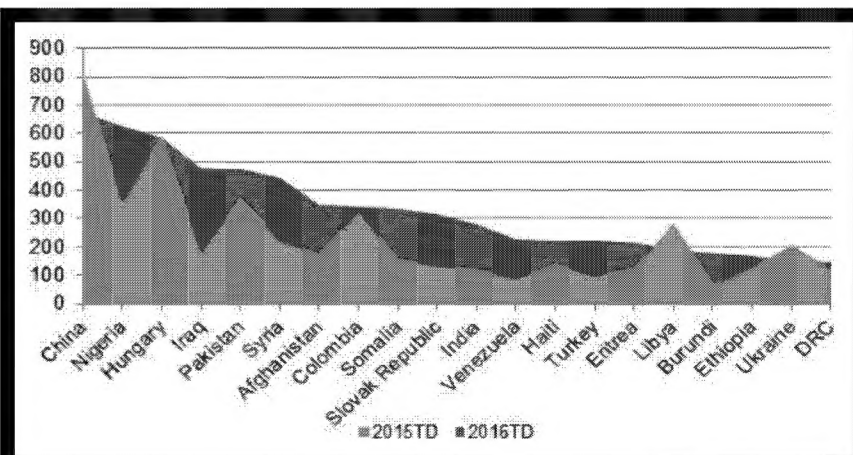
There were only **two** refugee claims were entered in the marine mode, both nationals of in 2016.

The most significant source region

Africa

accounted for **30%** of the claims entered.

2016 Top 20 Breakdown



Forecast for 2016

It is anticipated that refugee claims will continue to increase in the remaining months of 2016.
It is foreseen that refugee claims will likely rise to at least 20,000 by the end of 2016.

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Hungary



Colombia



China

The visa requirement on **Mexico** will be lifted in December 2016, which will likely result in a significant number of claims being filed in the following months.

Brazil is set to host the summer **Olympic Games** and the **Paralympic Games** - irregular migrants are likely to take advantage of the high volume of travellers for irregular migration by air to Canada via Brazil and other countries in the Americas.

It is anticipated that **nationals from visa exempt, Designated Countries of Origin** are highly likely to continue to account for at least **50%** of all claims filed in the air mode.

Top 20 Source Countries for Refugee Claims



It is almost certain that there will be a continued **increase in claimants at the land border** who are holders of U.S. Non-Immigrant visas and who qualify for entry into Canada by meeting an exception under the Safe Third Country Agreement.

With mass migration continuing to occur in **Europe**, the reinforcing of borders, anti-migrant rhetoric and BREXIT still to be finalized, it should not be discounted that some irregular migrants may turn to Canada

Nigeria has been and will remain as, the top source country for the African region. **Somalia** is expected to be the second top source country in the African region. **Eritrea, Libya, Burundi, and Ethiopia** are each expected to account for a minimum of 400 refugee claims by the end of 2016.

Top Source Countries

It is anticipated that the primary source country for refugee claims will continue to be **China** with other top source countries being **Nigeria, Hungary, Pakistan and Iraq**.

Hungary has been and will continue to be the primary source country for refugee claims at a Canadian airport, despite being a Designated Country of Origin.

It is highly likely that claims filed by nationals of **Syria** at the land border and inland offices will continue to increase, given the ongoing conflict.

Irregular migration from **Turkey** is anticipated to increase given the ongoing conflict, tensions and aftermath of the failed coup in the country.

Refugee claims from **India** have **increased 132%** compared to the same time period in 2015. Some push factors include: increasing religious tensions, discrimination and extensive poverty.

Based on analysis of a sample, **84%** of nationals of **China** who filed inland claims in 2015, used the services of a smuggler.

Iran, Nepal, the Sudan, Azerbaijan, Saudi Arabia and the People's Republic of Congo are only a few countries that have already **surpassed** the total claims seen in 2015 or are very close to.

In the top 20 source countries, it is anticipated that there will be an **increase** in refugee claims filed at inland offices by persons who have **entered Canada between POEs**.

REFUGEE CLAIMS ANALYSIS REPORT (RCAR)
 CURRENT INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS SECTION
 2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF (CHINA)								
Ranking: 1 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
674 Claims Ranking: 1 Airport: 59 Border: 7 Marine: 0 Inland: 608	ATL: 0 QUE: 10 GTA: 607 NOR: 3 SOR: 11 PRA: 1 PAC: 42	Gender Female: 312 Male: 362 MINORS: 77	Airport -PIA T1 (24) -PIA T3 (21) -VIA (11) Border -Fort Erie (5) -Rainbow Bridge (1) -Samia BWB (1)	Inland -Etobicoke (560) -Vancouver Adm. (24) -Vancouver Enf. (7)	354 Claims Ranking: 1 Airport: 18 Border: 3 Marine: 0 Inland: 333 MINORS: 33	320 Claims Ranking: 2 Airport: 41 Border: 4 Marine: 0 Inland: 275 MINORS: 44	1,497 Claims Ranking: 1 Airport: 83 Border: 15 Marine: 0 Inland: 1,399 MINORS: 233	1,192 Claims Ranking: 1 Airport: 70 Border: 9 Marine: 0 Inland: 1,113 MINORS: 169
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 2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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NIGERIA Ranking: 2 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
626 Claims Ranking: 2 Airport: 68 Border: 57 Marine: 0 Inland: 501	ATL: 0 QUE: 20 GTA: 515 NOR: 5 SOR: 45 PRA: 23 PAC: 18	Gender Female: 297 Male: 329 MINORS: 204	Airport -PIA T1 (38) -PIA T3 (19) -PET (6) Border -Fort Erie (33) -Lacolle (11) -Rainbow Bridge (8)	Inland -Etobicoke (447) -Vancouver Adm. (13) -Edmonton CIC (11)	300 Claims Ranking: 4 Airport: 35 Border: 19 Marine: 0 Inland: 246 MINORS: 87	326 Claims Ranking: 1 Airport: 33 Border: 38 Marine: 0 Inland: 255 MINORS: 117	794 Claims Ranking: 4 Airport: 91 Border: 46 Marine: 0 Inland: 657 MINORS: 238	577 Claims Ranking: 5 Airport: 65 Border: 44 Marine: 0 Inland: 468 MINORS: 174
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HUNGARY								
Ranking: 3 VISA Required: No Designated Country of Origin: Yes								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)			TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014
585 Claims Ranking: 3 Airport: 467 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 118	ATL: 0 QUE: 12 GTA: 566 NOR: 0 SOR: 3 PRA: 1 PAC: 3	Gender Female: 292 Male: 293 MINORS: 205	Airport -PIA T3 (290) -PIA T1 (159) -PET (11) Border —	Inland -Etobicoke (110) -Niagara Falls SIR Ops (3) -Hamilton (1)	312 Claims Ranking: 2 Airport: 261 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 51 MINORS: 104	273 Claims Ranking: 3 Airport: 206 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 67 MINORS: 101	985 Claims Ranking: 2 Airport: 884 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 101 MINORS: 367	391 Claims Ranking: 9 Airport: 287 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 104 MINORS: 140
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IRAQ								<div>↑ Forecast Increase ↓</div>
Ranking: 4								
VISA Required: Yes								
Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
477 Claims Ranking: 4	ATL: 6 QUE: 43 GTA: 132 NOR: 12 SOR: 183 PRA: 12 PAC: 89	Gender Female: 195 Male: 282 MINORS: 122	Airport -PIA T1 (9) -Pearson In't Airport Area (2) -PIA T3 (1) Border -Fort Erie (72) -Windsor Tunnel (43) -Ambassador Bridge (23)	Inland -Etobicoke (93) -Vancouver Enf (63) -Hamilton (22)	238 Claims Ranking: 7 Airport: 12 Border: 93 Marine: 0 Inland: 133 MINORS: 63	239 Claims Ranking: 4 Airport: 1 Border: 104 Marine: 0 Inland: 134 MINORS: 59	599 Claims Ranking: 6 Airport: 11 Border: 355 Marine: 0 Inland: 233 MINORS: 142	579 Claims Ranking: 4 Airport: 8 Border: 432 Marine: 0 Inland: 139 MINORS: 149
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 2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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PAKISTAN Ranking: 5 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016		Q(2) 2016	2015	2014
476 Claims Ranking: 5 Airport: 22 Border: 187 Marine: 0 Inland: 267	ATL: 0 QUE: 64 GTA: 210 NOR: 1 SOR: 166 PRA: 22 PAC: 13	Gender Female: 194 Male: 282 MINORS: 125	Airport -PIA T1 (11) -PIA T3 (7) -PET (3) Border -Fort Erie (137) -Ambassador Bridge (14) -Lacolle (12)	Inland -Etobicoke (189) -Inland Services Montréal (49) -Calgary CIC (9)	267 Claims Ranking: 6 Airport: 14 Border: 113 Marine: 0 Inland: 140 MINORS: 76	209 Claims Ranking: 5 Airport: 8 Border: 74 Marine: 0 Inland: 127 MINORS: 49	898 Claims Ranking: 3 Airport: 49 Border: 412 Marine: 0 Inland: 437 MINORS: 275	771 Claims Ranking: 2 Airport: 41 Border: 369 Marine: 0 Inland: 361 MINORS: 218
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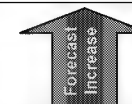
SYRIA									
Ranking: 6									
VISA Required: Yes									
Designated Country of Origin: No									
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)			TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
444 Claims Ranking: 6 Airport: 30 Border: 178 Marine: 0 Inland: 236	ATL: 4 QUE: 167 GTA: 100 NOR: 23 SOR: 111 PRA: 23 PAC: 16	Gender Female: 240 Male: 204 MINORS: 121	Airport		271 Claims Ranking: 5 Airport: 15 Border: 99 Marine: 0 Inland: 157 MINORS: 76	173 Claims Ranking: 6 Airport: 15 Border: 79 Marine: 0 Inland: 79 MINORS: 45	581 Claims Ranking: 7 Airport: 17 Border: 286 Marine: 0 Inland: 278 MINORS: 157	565 Claims Ranking: 6 Airport: 30 Border: 249 Marine: 0 Inland: 285 MINORS: 144	
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			Border						
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AFGHANISTAN								
Ranking: 7 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
349 Claims Ranking: 7 Airport: 20 Border: 140 Marine: 0 Inland: 189	ATL: 6 QUE: 10 GTA: 87 NOR: 4 SOR: 129 PRA: 2 PAC: 111	Gender Female: 118 Male: 231 MINORS: 78	Airport -PIA T1 (6) -PIA T3 (5) -PET (4) Border -Fort Erie (104) -Rainbow Bridge (16) -Douglas (10)	Inland -Etobicoke (75) -Vancouver Enf (68) -Vancouver Adm (30)	212 Claims Ranking: 8 Airport: 13 Border: 73 Marine: 0 Inland: 126 MINORS: 48	137 Claims Ranking: 10 Airport: 7 Border: 67 Marine: 0 Inland: 63 MINORS: 30	497 Claims Ranking: 10 Airport: 24 Border: 203 Marine: 0 Inland: 270 MINORS: 126	471 Claims Ranking: 7 Airport: 29 Border: 180 Marine: 0 Inland: 262 MINORS: 92
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 2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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COLOMBIA								
Ranking: 8 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
342 Claims Ranking: 8 Airport: 12 Border: 266 Marine: 0 Inland: 64	ATL: 0 QUE: 97 GTA: 25 NOR: 3 SOR: 180 PRA: 14 PAC: 23	Gender Female: 183 Male: 159 MINORS: 91	Airport -PIA T1 (6) -PIA T3 (3) -PET (3) Border -Fort Erie (165) -Lacolle (67) -Coultts (9)	Inland -Inland Services Montréal (17) -Etobicoke (13) -Vancouver Adm (8)	177 Claims Ranking: 9 Airport: 9 Border: 128 Marine: 0 Inland: 40 MINORS: 50	165 Claims Ranking: 7 Airport: 3 Border: 138 Marine: 0 Inland: 24 MINORS: 41	702 Claims Ranking: 5 Airport: 16 Border: 535 Marine: 0 Inland: 151 MINORS: 208	582 Claims Ranking: 3 Airport: 19 Border: 407 Marine: 0 Inland: 156 MINORS: 144
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 2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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SOMALIA								
Ranking: 9 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)			TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014
336 Claims Ranking: 9 Airport: 10 Border: 87 Marine: 0 Inland: 239	ATL: 0 QUE: 1 GTA: 144 NOR: 0 SOR: 2 PRA: 188 PAC: 1	Gender Female: 64 Male: 272 MINORS: 40	Airport -PIA T1 (9) -PIA T3 (1) Border -Emerson (83) -Windsor Tunnel (2) -Douglas (1)	Inland -Etobicoke (133) -Winnipeg Inland Enf & Hearings (91) -Winnipeg (11)	173 Claims Ranking: 10 Airport: 8 Border: 77 Marine: 0 Inland: 87 MINORS: 20	164 Claims Ranking: 8 Airport: 2 Border: 10 Marine: 0 Inland: 152 MINORS: 20	508 Claims Ranking: 9 Airport: 10 Border: 190 Marine: 0 Inland: 308 MINORS: 82	331 Claims Ranking: 13 Airport: 5 Border: 11 Marine: 0 Inland: 315 MINORS: 64
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2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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SLOVAK REPUBLIC								
Ranking: 10 VISA Required: No Designated Country of Origin: Yes								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
315 Claims Ranking: 10 Airport: 298 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 17	ATL: 0 QUE: 0 GTA: 315 NOR: 0 SOR: 0 PRA: 0 PAC: 0	Gender Female: 152 Male: 163 MINORS: 150	Airport -PIA T1 (273) -PIA T3 (25) Border —	Inland -Etobicoke (16) -Greater Toronto Enf Centre (1)	307 Claims Ranking: 3 Airport: 297 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 10 MINORS: 150	8 Claims Ranking: 71 Airport: 1 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 7 MINORS: 0	354 Claims Ranking: 13 Airport: 319 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 35 MINORS: 163	470 Claims Ranking: 8 Airport: 435 Border: 0 Marine: 0 Inland: 35 MINORS: 197
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<div>INDIA</div> <div>Ranking: 11</div> <div>VISA Required: Yes</div> <div>Designated Country of Origin: No</div>								<div>Forecast Increase</div>
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
<div>281 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 11</div> <div>Airport: 83</div> <div>Border: 1</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 197</div>	<div>ATL: 1</div> <div>QUE: 145</div> <div>GTA: 98</div> <div>NOR: 5</div> <div>SOR: 1</div> <div>PRA: 2</div> <div>PAC: 29</div>	<div>Gender</div> <div>Female: 104</div> <div>Male: 177</div> <div>MINORS: 26</div>	<div>Airport</div> <div>-PIA T1 (35)</div> <div>-PET (31)</div> <div>-PIA T3 (12)</div> <div>Border</div> <div>-Pacific Highway (1)</div>	<div>Inland</div> <div>-Inland Services Montréal (108)</div> <div>-Etobicoke (46)</div> <div>-Vancouver Enf (21)</div> <div>Airport: 33</div> <div>Border: 1</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 100</div> <div>MINORS: 9</div>	<div>147 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 9</div> <div>Airport: 49</div> <div>Border: 0</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 98</div> <div>MINORS: 17</div>	<div>376 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 11</div> <div>Airport: 102</div> <div>Border: 5</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 269</div> <div>MINORS: 44</div>	<div>279 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 15</div> <div>Airport: 115</div> <div>Border: 8</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 156</div> <div>MINORS: 27</div>	
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REFUGEE CLAIMS ANALYSIS REPORT (RCAR)
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2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)

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VENEZUELA

Ranking: 12

VISA Required: Yes

Designated Country of Origin: No

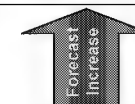
Forecast Increase

2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
<div>227 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 12</div> <div>Airport: 24</div> <div>Border: 62</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 141</div>	<div>ATL: 0</div> <div>QUE: 68</div> <div>GTA: 91</div> <div>NOR: 9</div> <div>SOR: 28</div> <div>PRA: 26</div> <div>PAC: 5</div>	<div>Gender</div> <div>Female: 111</div> <div>Male: 116</div> <div>MINORS: 76</div>	<div>Airport</div> <div>-PET (11)</div> <div>-PIA T3 (7)</div> <div>-PIA T1 (3)</div> <div>Border</div> <div>-Lacolle (30)</div> <div>-Fort Erie (17)</div> <div>-Coutts (6)</div>	<div>Inland</div> <div>-Etobicoke (62)</div> <div>-Inland Services Montréal (23)</div> <div>-Calgary CIC (14)</div> <div>MINORS: 31</div>	<div>98 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 16</div> <div>Airport: 13</div> <div>Border: 19</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 66</div> <div>MINORS: 31</div>	<div>129 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 12</div> <div>Airport: 11</div> <div>Border: 43</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 75</div> <div>MINORS: 45</div>	<div>257 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 21</div> <div>Airport: 32</div> <div>Border: 88</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 137</div> <div>MINORS: 90</div>	<div>162 Claims</div> <div>Ranking: 25</div> <div>Airport: 17</div> <div>Border: 40</div> <div>Marine: 0</div> <div>Inland: 105</div> <div>MINORS: 37</div>
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Ranking: 13								
VISA Required: Yes								
Designated Country of Origin: No								
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TURKEY								
Ranking: 14 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
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223 Claims Ranking: 14 Airport: 13 Border: 54 Marine: 0 Inland: 156	ATL: 0 QUE: 12 GTA: 149 NOR: 1 SOR: 50 PRA: 1 PAC: 10	Gender Female: 61 Male: 162 MINORS: 35	Airport -PIA T1 (12) -VIA (1) Border -Fort Erie (45) -Lacolle (7) -Rainbow Bridge (2)	Inland -Etobicoke (137) -Vancouver Enf (8) -Inland Services Montréal (4)	105 Claims Ranking: 13 Airport: 7 Border: 24 Marine: 0 Inland: 74 MINORS: 13	118 Claims Ranking: 13 Airport: 6 Border: 30 Marine: 0 Inland: 82 MINORS: 22	265 Claims Ranking: 19 Airport: 10 Border: 76 Marine: 0 Inland: 179 MINORS: 35	176 Claims Ranking: 21 Airport: 9 Border: 66 Marine: 0 Inland: 101 MINORS: 21
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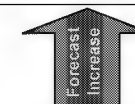
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LIBYA								
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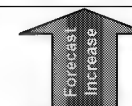
VISA Required: Yes

Designated Country of Origin: No

Forecast Increase

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ETHIOPIA Ranking: 18 VISA Required: Yes Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014	
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CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (DRC)								Forecast No Change
Ranking: 20								
VISA Required: Yes								
Designated Country of Origin: No								
2016 (JANUARY TO JUNE)		TOP 3 PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES			QUARTER (1) 2016	Q(2) 2016	2015	2014
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(OTHER COUNTRIES – RANKINGS & CLAIMS)**

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22. United States of America (134)	63. South Africa, Republic of (23)	107. Croatia (3)
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26. Bangladesh (121)	67. Tanzania, United Republic of (20)	111. Sierra Leone (3)
27. Egypt (121)	68. Burkina-Faso (18)	112. South Sudan, Republic Of (3)
28. Nepal (120)	69. Chile (18)	113. Spain (3)
29. Sudan, Democratic Republic of (104)	70. Indonesia, Republic of (18)	114. Sweden (3)
30. Sri Lanka (103)	71. Morocco (17)	115. Trinidad and Tobago, Republic of (3)
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32. El Salvador (102)	73. Kosovo, Republic of (16)	117. Belgium (2)
33. Albania (85)	74. Togo, Republic of (16)	118. Botswana, Republic of (2)
34. Jamaica (80)	75. Antigua and Barbuda (15)	119. Gabon Republic (2)
35. Chad, Republic of (75)	76. Barbados (15)	120. Grenada (2)
36. Djibouti, Republic of (75)	77. Mongolia, People's Republic of (15)	121. Moldova (2)
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40. Congo, People's Republic of the (57)	81. St. Vincent and the Grenadines (14)	125. Zambia (2)
41. Mexico (56)	82. Uzbekistan (14)	126. Australia (1)
42. Saudi Arabia (55)	83. Gambia (12)	127. Belize (1)
43. Ghana (51)	84. Bahrain (11)	128. Bosnia-Herzegovina (1)
44. Honduras (50)	85. Thailand (10)	129. British Dependent Territories Citizen (1)
45. Azerbaijan (49)	86. Central African Republic (9)	130. Denmark (1)
46. Zimbabwe (47)	87. France (9)	131. Dominica (1)
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For information

REFUGEE CLAIMS AT PORTS OF ENTRY

For the President

PURPOSE

To provide an update on refugee claim levels at ports of entry (POEs) across Canada.

ISSUE

The Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) is experiencing an increase in claims for refugee protection at POEs, including from individuals seeking to enter Canada between identified border crossings.

BACKGROUND

During fiscal year 2016-2017, increases in refugee claims are being experienced nationally with particular spikes in the Quebec and Southern Ontario Regions. The attached table (attachment #1) provides a statistical overview of the volume increases over the past three years. Both land border and inland claims (between ports of entry) have seen significant spikes in claimants arriving from the United States (U.S.). The Agency together with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) receives funding for 22,500 claims as part of the annual immigration reference levels. Of note, the Agency's portion of the funding represents 40 percent or 9,000 claims per year.

As of January 30, 2017, refugee processing levels have exceeded the current funded target (10,186 total claims).

There are many factors that could contribute to the rise in refugee claims both at and between ports of entry including the Government of Canada's open and positive response to the Syrian refugee crisis, the removal of visa requirements for Mexican nationals, as well the evolving political environment in the U.S. coupled with the Safe Third Country Agreement exceptions in application (ex: when entering Canada between border crossings) further contribute to the asylum level increases.

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STATUS

The operational pressures directly attributed to refugee claim volumes at POEs are compounded by a number of factors including: multiple claimants arriving simultaneously; file complexity; and length of time for refugee intake processing (on average 8.5 hours). Additionally, those seeking to make a refugee claim often do not speak either of Canada's official languages thereby requiring the use of an interpreter and as a result, lengthening the process. These workload factors inhibit the ability to redeploy officers in response to other operational pressures including primary inspection line volume surges and border wait times.

In addition to the increasing number of refugee claims, the recent visa lift on Mexican nationals has created growing number of immigration secondary referrals resulting in enforcement actions. The downstream effect of these actions directly impacts inland enforcement through detentions, hearings and possible removals. The Government of Canada has also announced visa lifts for Romanian and Bulgarian citizens effective December 1, 2017, which have the possibility of creating similar impacts to port of entry operations.

In response to the surge of inland claims in the Quebec Region, as many as nine officers are assigned to handle refugee claims on any given day. This places pressures on the port of entry operations and will be particularly challenging during peak summer season. Of note, the majority of inland claimants being processed in Quebec are in possession of a valid U.S. visa. The ease in which foreign nationals can obtain a U.S. visitor visa is of concern; discussions are ongoing with the U.S. State Department on these recent trends.

The recent Executive Order (Protection of the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States) issued by the President of the U.S., has created a surge in additional refugee claims at and between POEs. Due to uncertainty surrounding the implementation of the order, it is difficult to assess what the full impact may be at this time.

NEXT STEPS

The Agency continues to monitor the refugee levels through the weekly Mexico visa lift dashboard, significant event notifications for mass arrivals and inland claim reporting.

CBSA will continue to monitor the situation in the U.S. and adapt resources and processing according to pressures arising from any demands.

Caroline Xavier, Vice-President
Operations Branch

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ATTACHMENTS

1. **Refugee Processing at Ports of Entry**
2. **Mexico Visa Lift Weekly Report – January 30**
3. **Refugee claims processed by CBSA**
4. **Refugee Claims Analysis Report (January – June 2016)**

REFUGEE CLAIMS PROCESSED BY CBSA

It should be noted, as of January 30, 2017, Mexican Nationals have made 292 claims for refugee protection so far for fiscal year 2016-2017. Most of these claims were processed by the CBSA (62 percent) with the remainder (38 percent) processed by Immigration, Refugees, Citizenship Canada (IRCC). Since the TRV lift, 146 refugee claims have been made by Mexican nationals (effective January 30, 2017) with 77 percent (113 claims) processed by the CBSA and the remaining 23 percent (27 claims) at IRCC offices inland. The CBSA's percentage of claims processed post visa lift continues to not commensurate with the funding allocation representing 40 percent of the refugee processing.

In addition, based on the current overall refugee claim intake (FY 2016-2017 – Stats below) the CBSA is currently processing 49% of overall refugee claims.

RFG Claim Count	CIC	CBSA	Total	
2016/2017	10,754	10,186	20,940	← Mexico Visa Lift (Dec. 1, 2016)
2015/2016	9,783	8,196	17,979	
2014/2015	7,775	6,185	13,960	
2013/2014	6,325	4,940	11,265	
2012/2013	9,763	7,372	17,135	← Refugee Reform (June 2012)
2011/2012	13,290	11,638	24,928	
2010/2011	13,565	9,468	23,033	
2009/2010	15,980	14,113	30,093	← Visa Imposition on Mexican and Czech Nationals (July 2009)
2008/2009	17,372	20,389	37,761	
2007/2008	15,095	15,963	31,058	
2006/2007	14,198	9,366	23,564	← Czech Republic Visa Lift (Oct. 2007)
2005/2006	12,156	8,279	20,435	
2004/2005	11,960	11,852	23,812	← Safe Third Country Agreement in effect (Dec. 29, 2004)
2003/2004	15,402	13,089	28,491	
2002/2003	18,255	18,197	36,452	
2001/2002	18,559	22,806	41,365	← Sept. 11, 2001
Total	210,232	192,039	402,271	



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OVERVIEW OF CANADA'S ASYLUM SYSTEM AND IMPACTS ON THE SAFE THIRD COUNTRY AGREEMENT



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REFUGEE CLAIMANT INTAKE – 2011 TO 2017

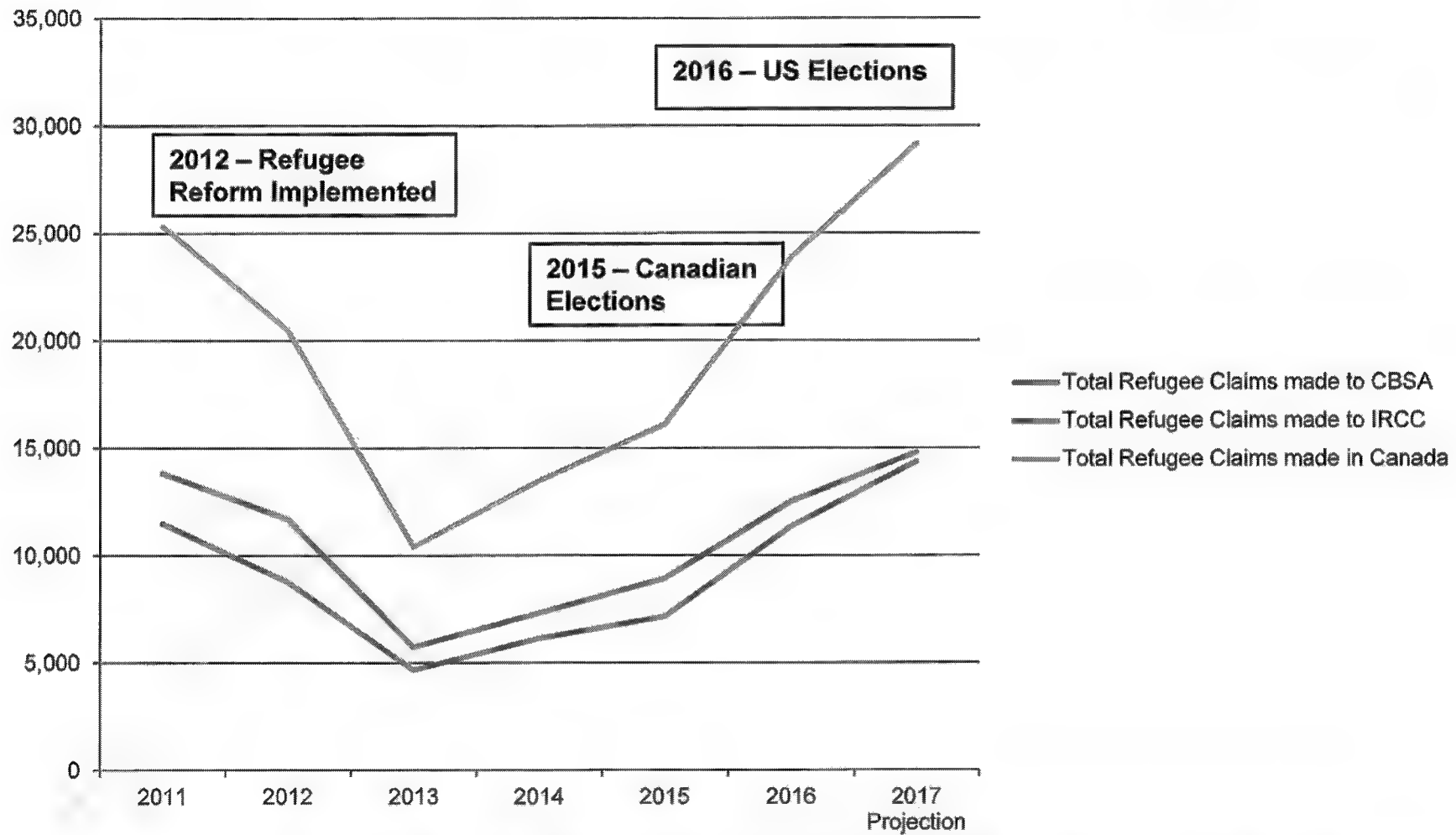
Overall Refugee Claimants -- 112,601

- Claims at Ports of Entry – 37,557
- Claims at Inland Enforcement offices – 13,568
 - Claims at IRCC offices – 61,535



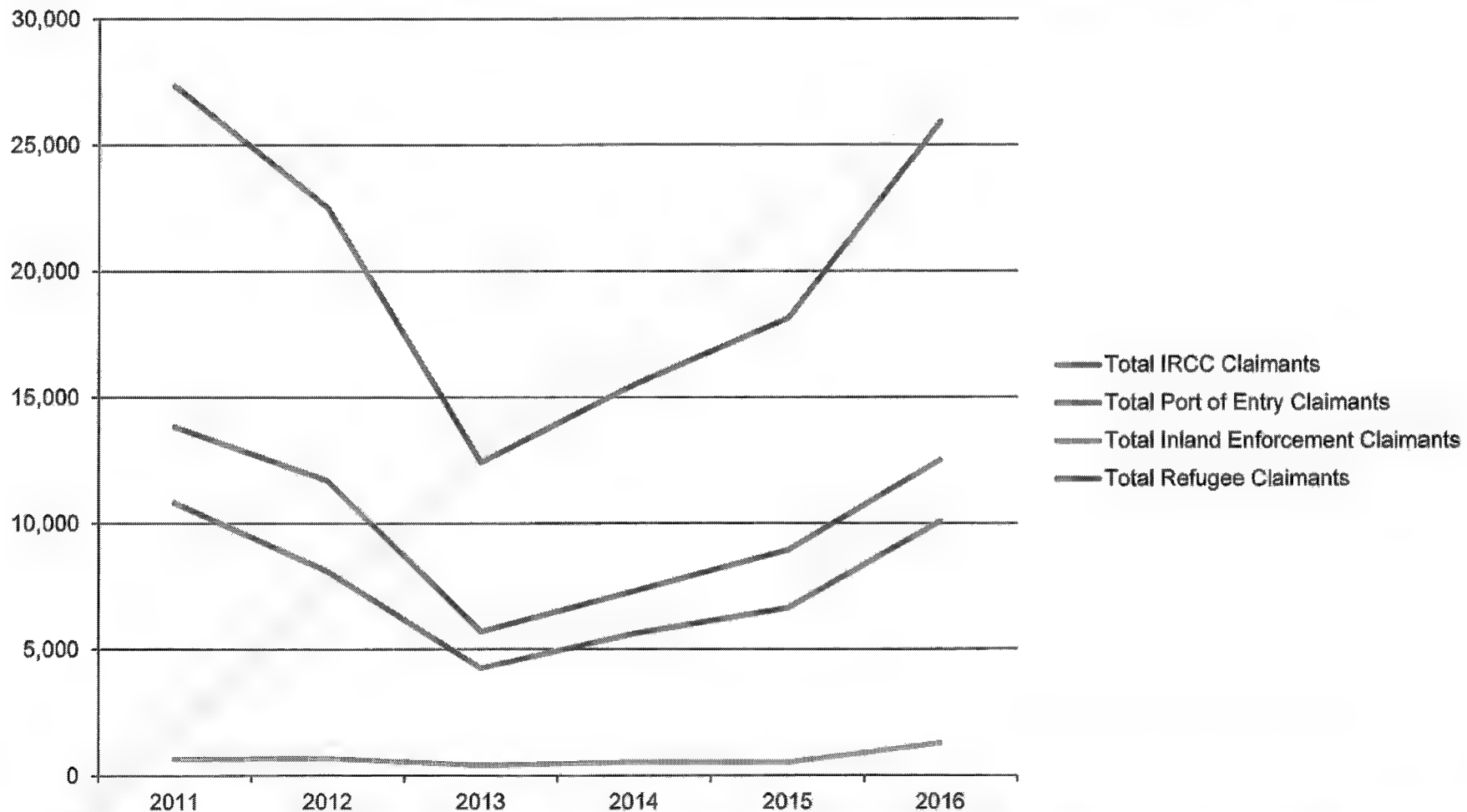


REFUGEE CLAIMANT INTAKE TRENDS SINCE 2011



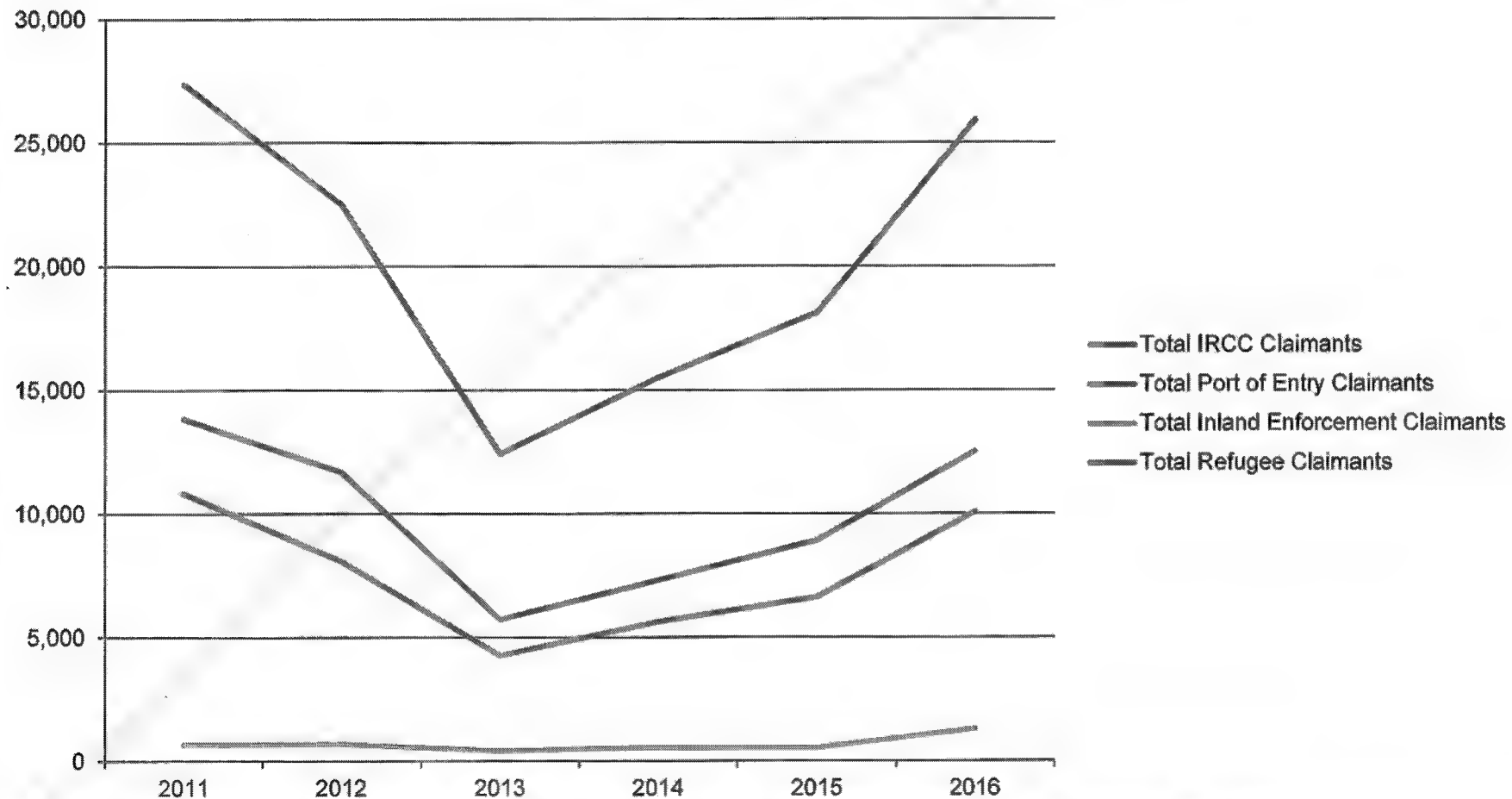


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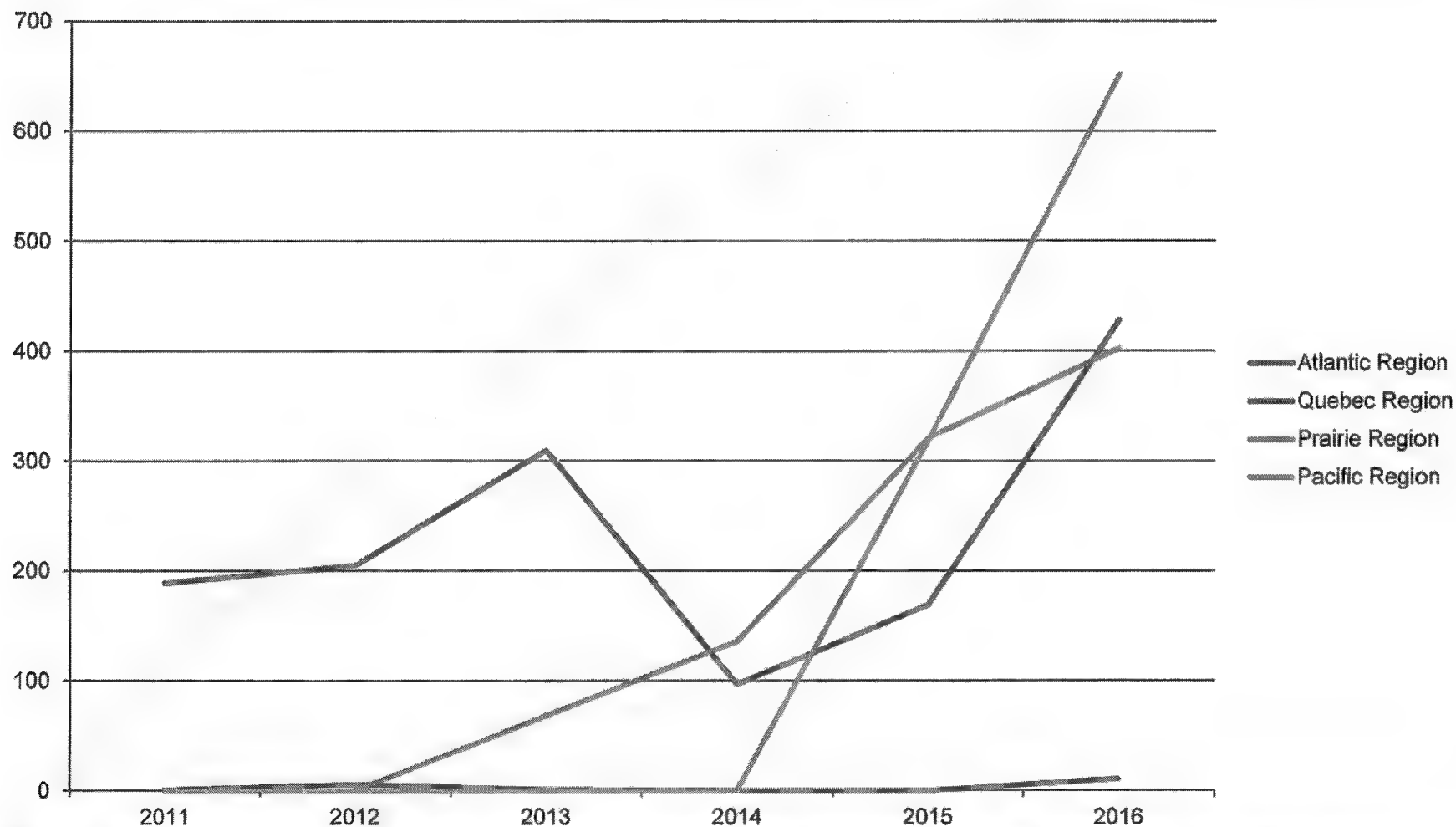


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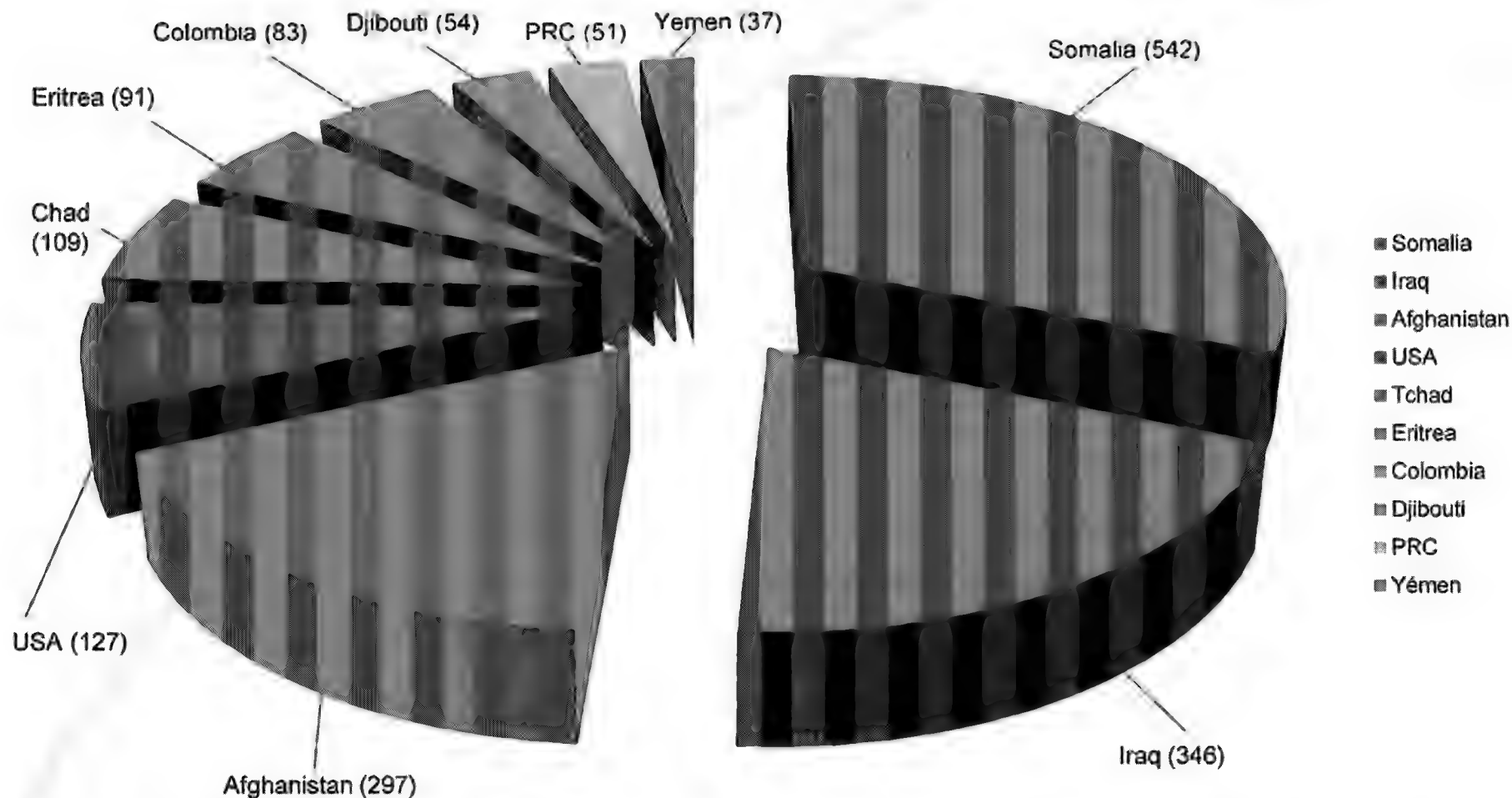


REFUGEE CLAIMANTS WHO ENTERED CANADA BETWEEN THE PORTS OF ENTRY – 2011 TO 2016





TOP 10 COUNTRIES WHOSE NATIONALS ARE ENTERING BETWEEN THE PORTS OF ENTRY – 2015-2016





IRB ACCEPTANCE RATES FOR 2016 FOR THE TOP 10 COUNTRIES

- **Somalia – 65%**

- **Iraq – 78%**

- **Afghanistan – 82%**

- **United States – 2%**

- **Chad – 69%**

- **Eritrea – 80%**

- **Colombia – 62%**

- **Djibouti – 91%**

- **China – 33%**

- **Yemen – 89%**

** Please note that highlighted countries are identified in the recent Presidential Executive Order



MANAGING MIGRATION FLOWS BETWEEN CANADA AND THE US

- The Safe Third Country Agreement was signed between Canada and the United States on December 5, 2002 and came into force two years later.
- According to the agreement, refugee claimants are required to request refugee protection in the first safe country they arrive unless they qualify for an exception.
- The STCA applies only to refugee claimants who are seeking entry to Canada from the US: at Canada land border crossings; by train; or at airports, only if the person seeking refugee protection in Canada has been refused in the US AND is in transit through Canada after being deported from the US.
- STCA was premised on both countries having fair domestic asylum systems that provide due process and an assessment of risk upon return as per our international obligations and the 1951 Refugee Convention.



EXECUTIVE ORDER

- A review that would lead to the suspension of visa and other immigration benefits to nationals of countries of particular concern, which include **Iraq, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen**.
 - This country list is the same as the countries from which dual nationals were no longer eligible for consideration under the Visa Waiver Program that were put in place in 2016 under the Obama Administration.
- Suspension of all refugee admissions for 120 days (4 months) and suspending indefinitely all refugee admissions from Syrian nationals.
- A reduction in the number of refugees allowed into the US this fiscal year to 50,000 (from the 110,000 goal previously set by the Obama administration).
- Rescinds authorities for exemptions to overcome existing Terrorism Grounds of Inadmissibility (TRIG) and the waiver of interviews.

What does this mean?

- The EO addresses the US refugee resettlement program and not/not the domestic asylum system



IMPACT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER

- US CBP continues to provide assurances that the STCA will be respected and the US Asylum program has confirmed that their domestic program is operational.
- Public policy measures were introduced by the Minister of IRCC for individuals in Canada who were negatively impacted by the Executive Order.

IMPACTS TO THE CBSA:

- CBSA continues to apply the STCA at the land border
- Since the implementation of the executive order, 443 refugee claims received at Canadian ports of entry.
- Emerson and Lacolle ports of entry continue to receive the greatest volumes of refugee claimants arriving from the United States.
- BSOs & Inland Enforcement officers challenged to meet increased volumes thereby possibly drawing resources away from other business lines.
- Security Screening and Triage Centres are pressured to meet intake which may result in high volumes of postponement at the IRB.
- Additional refugee intake could be a challenge for Hearings Officers to respond to IRB proceedings thereby creating backlogs in multiple business lines.



IMPACT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER - LITIGATION

- Syrian national and three children claimed refugee status at Lacolle POE on February 3, 2017. Individual was deemed ineligible to pursue the claim as STCA applied.
- An application for a stay of removal and leave to seek judicial review of the eligibility decision filed with Federal Court. Applicant is challenging the constitutionality of the STCA provisions in IRPA.
- Minister of IRCC issued Temporary Resident Permits for two weeks.

Potential impact:



POLICY OPTIONS

- IRCC is the policy lead for the Safe Third Country Agreement



OPERATIONS PLAN

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- Working with NGOs on both sides of the border, the CBSA will manage the flow of individuals making claims at POEs so as to minimize disruption for other service lines. As well, claims will be taken at specified POEs within certain hours of operation.
- Temporary facilities may be erected in order to process claims away from the border. CBSA would undertake the lead in processing these claims and, it is anticipated, that groups of individuals may need to be provided accommodation in the short term.
- Working with IRCC, the CBSA will direct individuals in land so that they may claim refugee status at an IRCC office.



ANNEX

Removals Issues for Countries affected by the Executive Order

Somalia (542)

- Administrative Deferral of Removal (ADR) in effect since December 9, 2011
- Currently, there are 25 Somali nationals in the CBSA removals working inventory who do not benefit from the ADR
- CBSA uses Single Journey Travel Documents for removal

Iraq (346)

- Temporary Suspension of Removal (TSR) in effect since March 26, 2003
- Currently there are 21 Iraqi nationals in the CBSA removals working inventory who do not benefit from the TSR
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Removals Issues for Countries affected by the Executive Order

Yemen (37)

- Administrative Deferral of Removal (ADR) in effect since May 7, 2015
- Currently, there is 1 Yemeni national in the CBSA removals working inventory who does not benefit from the ADR
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Syria (32)

- Administrative Deferral of Removal (ADR) in effect since March 15, 2012
- Currently, there is 1 Syrian national in the CBSA removals working inventory who does not benefit from the ADR
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Removals Issues for Countries affected by the Executive Order

Sudan (28)

- Currently, there are 83 Sudanese nationals in the CBSA removals working inventory. Of these, 22 are considered high priority removals (ie. Criminality or national security issues)
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Iran (2)

- Currently there are 191 Iranian nationals in the CBSA removals working inventory. Of these,
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Removals Issues for Countries affected by the Executive Order

Libya (1)

- Administrative Deferral of Removal (ADR) in effect since March 20, 2015
- Currently, there is 1 Libyan national in the CBSA removals working inventory who does not benefit from the ADR

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ASYLUM CLAIMANTS IN CANADA:

2011-17 OVERVIEW



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PURPOSE

- In light of the influx of individuals crossing in between ports of entry to claim refugee protection, we are seeking to provide you with an overview of:
 - The current national and regional trends with respect to individuals claiming asylum in Canada;
 - The current political environment in the US which is influencing migration patterns;
 - Potential policy options that may address the issue;
 - Operational contingency planning at the CBSA.

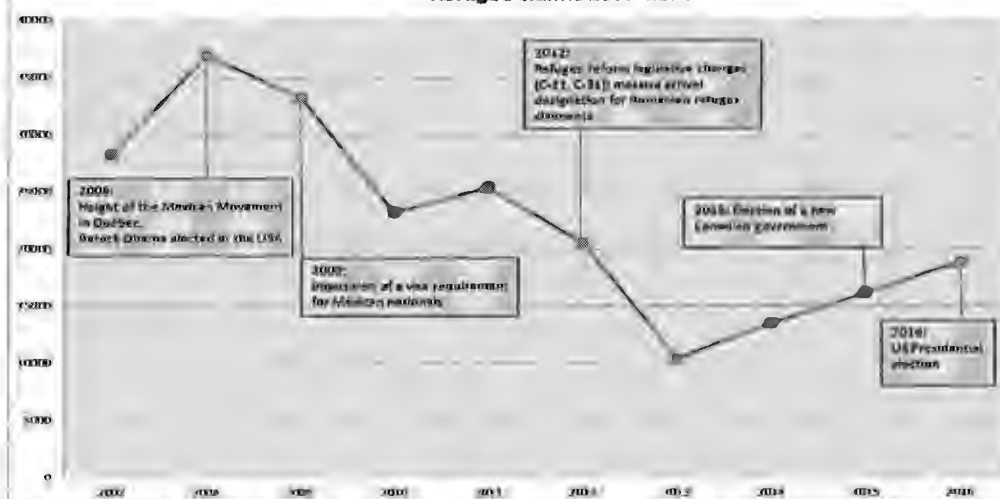


REFUGEE CLAIMANT INTAKE – 2011 TO 2017

Overall Refugee Claimants -- 112,601

- Claims at Ports of Entry – 37,557
- Claims at Inland Enforcement offices – 13,568
- Claims at IRCC offices – 61,535

Refugee claims 2007-2016

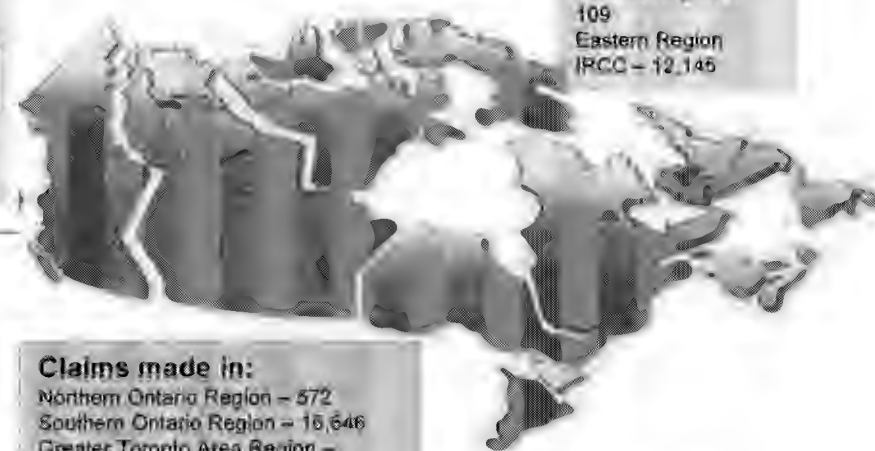


Claims made in:

Pacific Region – 10,026
 Prairie Region – 611
 Western Region (RCG) – 6,880

Claims made in:

Quebec Region – 12,274
 Atlantic Region – 109
 Eastern Region (RCG) – 12,145

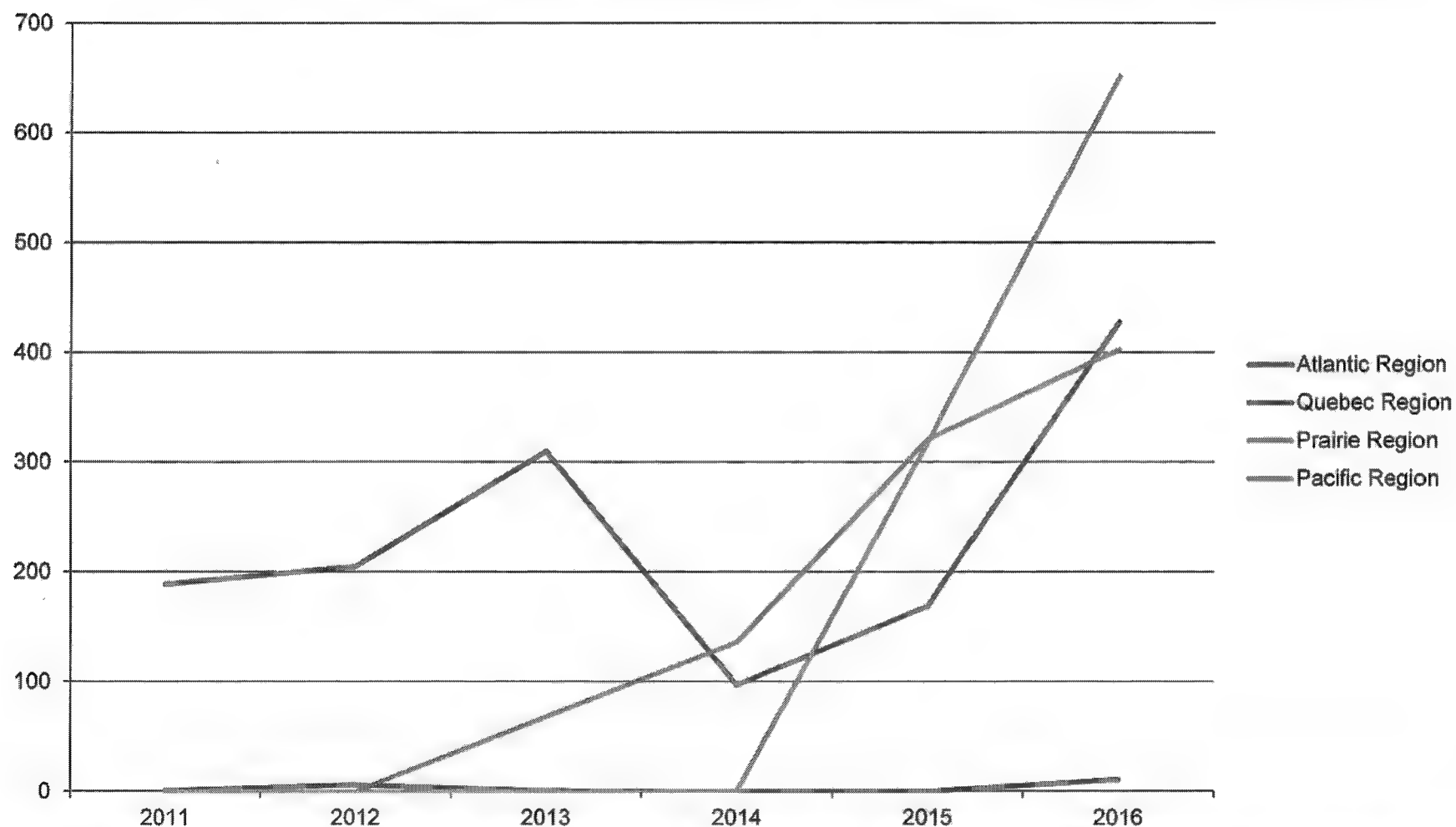


Claims made in:

Northern Ontario Region – 572
 Southern Ontario Region – 15,646
 Greater Toronto Area Region – 16,628
 Ontario Region (RCG) – 42,861

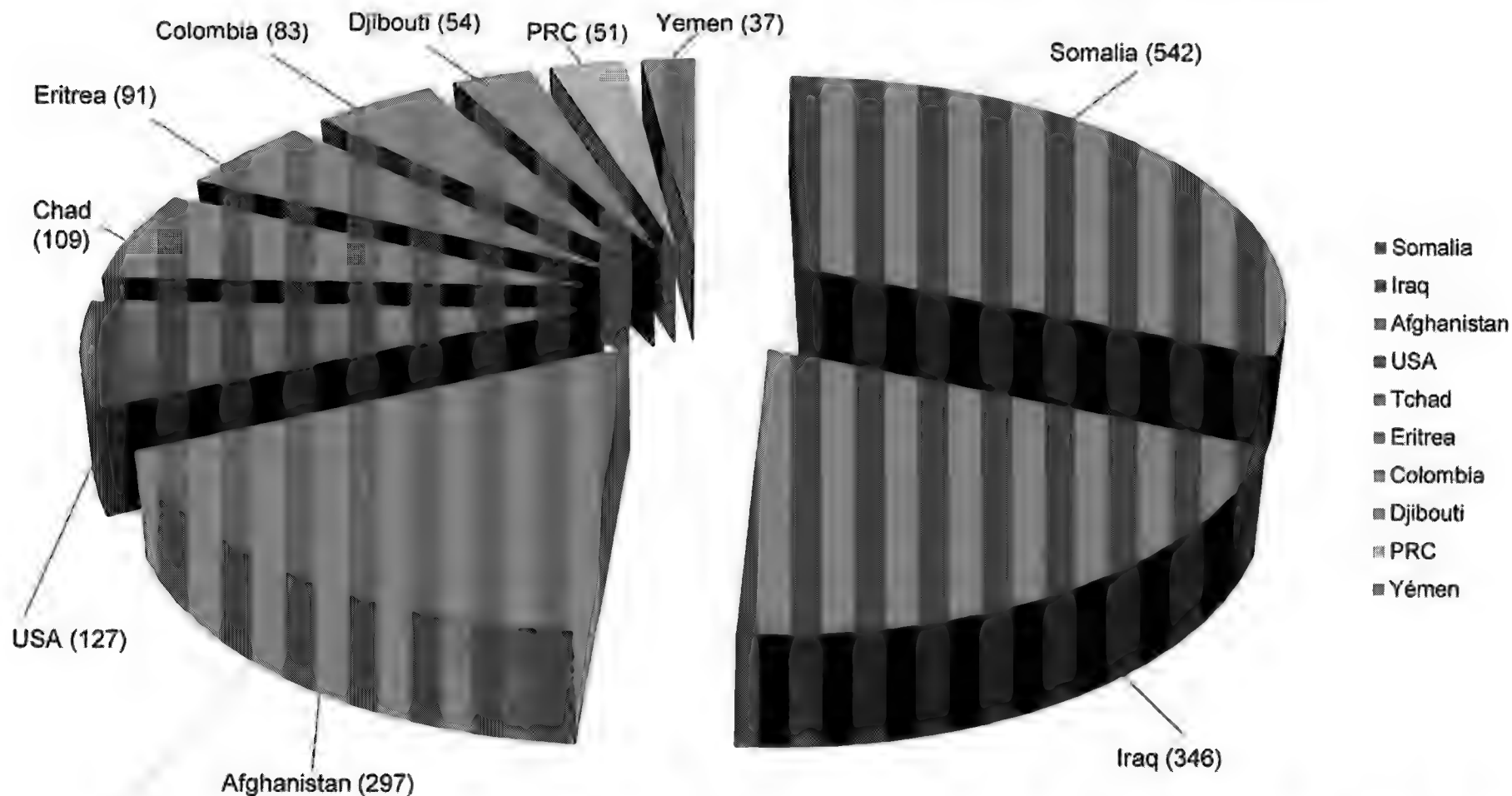


REFUGEE CLAIMANTS WHO ENTERED CANADA BETWEEN THE PORTS OF ENTRY – 2011 TO 2016





TOP 10 COUNTRIES WHOSE NATIONALS ARE ENTERING BETWEEN THE PORTS OF ENTRY – 2015-2016





MANAGING MIGRATION FLOWS BETWEEN CANADA AND THE US

- The STCA applies only to refugee claimants who are seeking entry to Canada from the US:
 - at Canada land border crossings;
 - by train; or
 - at airports, only if the person seeking refugee protection in Canada has been refused in the US **AND** is in transit through Canada after being deported from the US.
- STCA was premised on both countries having fair domestic asylum systems that provide due process and an assessment of risk upon return as per our international obligations and the 1951 Refugee Convention.



US POLITICAL CONTEXT: EXECUTIVE ORDERS

- Since assuming office, President Trump has signed a number of executive orders related to immigration and immigration enforcement:
 - January 25, 2017 – Executive Order: Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements.
 - January 27, 2017 – Executive Order: Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States:
 - A review that would lead to the suspension of visa and other immigration benefits to nationals of countries of particular concern, which include Iraq, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen.
 - February 10, 2017 – President Trump indicates that he will revise the Foreign Terrorist EO to exclude permanent residents thereby addressing constitutionality concerns.

Regions	Daily Claims	Total (Since January 29, 2017)
ATL	0	0
QC	22	295
NOR	N/A	2
GTA	4	114
SOR	23	221
PRA	21	41
PAC	0	11
CBSA Total	70	684



MIGRATION – CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS

PUSH

- Economic downturn in certain countries.
- Informal networks assisting individual to get to the border for relatively low cost.

PULL

- Family reunification.
- Canada is viewed as more welcoming.
- Relatively, it is easier, quicker and cheaper to obtain refugee status in Canada compared to the US.



OPERATIONAL IMPACT AT THE PORTS OF ENTRY

- Refugee claims made by individuals who cross into Canada in between ports of entry continue to increase since the introduction of EOs.
- Three ports of entry in particular have been affected:
 - **Emerson POE:**
 - Refugee claims increased by 25% over last year.
 - Claimants no longer consist of single males from Somalia. Rather asylum seekers from Djibouti, Eritrea, Ghana as well as families.
 - **Lacolle POE:**
 - Refugee claims increased by 76% over last year.
 - Claimants are from Eritrea, Sudan, Yemen, Syria, Iraq and Romania
 - **SOR:**
 - Refugee claims increased by 38% over last year.
 - Claimants are from Columbia, Iraq, Burundi, Syria, Nigeria and Eritrea.

What do they have in common?

- The majority have valid passports and US visas. Some individuals obtained a US visa as conduit to access Canada.
- Most want to relocate to Ontario.
- A lot of these individuals are not long term residents of the US.



DEVELOPING AN OPERATIONAL PLAN

- The CBSA has implemented measures to address operational pressures at ports of entry in Emerson MB, Lacolle, QC and Southern Ontario directly attributed to increased refugee migration from the United States.
- In particular, at the port of Emerson, CBSA continues to work with the RCMP to ensure any claimants arriving between ports of entry are provided proper medical attention and protection from the extreme weather while being processed; the Agency also works with IRCC and local resettlement service organizations to provide the necessary humanitarian assistance.
- The CBSA has initiated interdepartmental contingency planning with key federal partners including the RCMP, IRCC, Public Safety Canada and GAC to develop a holistic, coordinated, federal response in the event of a larger influx of claimants. As an extension of IRCC and their settlement programs, officials at the provincial and municipal levels will also be engaged in planning for significant arrivals.
- Engagement with US partners is ongoing to understand any future policy changes and continue to explore opportunities to work collaboratively on border related issues.



NEXT STEPS

- Complete development of operational plan in collaboration with internal and external partners.
- Bilateral discussions with US:
 - Department of State
 - Customs and Border Protection
- Ongoing coordination and discussion with the RCMP.